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Title: Point of Sale Terminal Arrangement Using Set-Top Box

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Please amend the subject application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

On page 1, please rewrite the paragraph starting at line 14 to read:

"This application is related to docket number SNY-P4152, serial number \_\_\_\_\_  
*A.* filed on January 2, 2001 to Krishnan et al, entitled "Set-Top Box with Credit Card Reader and Method of Activation/Authentication" having common assignee, which is hereby incorporated herein by reference."